Programme Choices - Electives

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Know No Bounds

The best way to predict the future is to create it.
What is an Elective?

Electives allow you to expand your university education by providing the opportunity to study an area outside your chosen degree programme.

An Elective is 10 credits (a five credit module in semester 1 and a five credit module in semester 2) so it makes up 1/6 of your second year marks.
Why take an Elective?

1. Develop new skills that will compliment your chosen programme (e.g. modern languages, entrepreneurship, or science communication)

2. Broaden your perspective: study across disciplines, learn how to think differently & appreciate different viewpoints.

3. Introduction to the diverse fields of research as well as the excellent lecturing staff throughout the University

4. To start a new language or keep up a current one

5. Intrigued by the topic
Electives on offer this year

Many students have the opportunity to take an Elective in Year 2

Electives this year include:
• Film & Screen Studies
• Beginners Chinese/German/Spanish
• Continuing French/Spanish/Gaeilge/Chinese
• War, Terrorism and Global Security
• Working Creatively in Groups and Teams
• Gender and Sexuality in Society and Culture
• Education Engagement and Equality
• Engaging with civil society: justice, welfare and environment
• Service Innovation
# How an Elective works – MH101

## Double Major

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## Single Major

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How an Elective works for - MH201

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MH201 Science students cannot progress the science subject studied at 10 credits in second year (subject 3 in the example above) forward into your third and final year.

- Denominated Programmes

An Elective is taken instead of two of your non-core/optional modules (10 credits)
CourseFinder

- For information on your pathways, subjects and modules in every year of study
- Search by course code or module code.
T & C apply

- Registration for all modules are subject to usual timetable viability and requirements in your main subjects
- Electives are not available on every programme
Creating a viable timetable

1. www.maynoothuniversity.ie/current-students
2. Select Timetable
3. Select Timetable Viewer on the right-hand side of the page
4. Select the ‘Lecture’ tab on the far left
5. Choose your course from the drop down menu. Continue.
6. Select Semester 1/Semester 2 or All (recommended). Continue.
7. Hold down the control key to select multiple modules. Continue.
8. Be sure that there are no timetable clashes before registering for second year in September 2020.
Electives FAQs

Q. How do I register for an Elective?
A. Registration for Electives takes place during online registration in at the start of year.

Q. Is an Elective extra work?
A. No, an Elective is part of your 60 credits for Year 2.

Q. Can I take up an Elective in semester 2 of Year 2?
A. No, you must register for an Elective for the full year. Skills for Success is available in Sem2.

Q. Can I change my Elective in September?
A. Yes, but keep in mind there may be limited places in some Electives.
Exception to the rule...Skills for Success

- Professional Development and Employability Skills module
- Practice and develop a range of employability skills: teamwork, communication, leadership, creative problem solving, self awareness and more
- Continuous Assessment: Simulated Recruitment Process with job application, interview and E-portfolio
- 5 credit module available in semester one or two
- Taken in lieu of 5 credit optional module or 5 credit Elective module in semester 2
- Module codes: Semester 1- EX201 / Semester 2 - EX202
More information

• Course Finder
• Timetable
• Second Year Information Page: 
  www.maynoothuniversity.ie/year2info
• Electives Information Page: 
  www.maynoothuniversity.ie/electives
• Lecturers
• Programme Advisory Office
Planning Ahead Week

Planning Ahead
FOR YOUR SECOND YEAR & BEYOND

MONDAY 6 APRIL
Programme Choices:
Subject & Module in second year for Arts students
Time: 11am to 11:30am

Programme Choices:
Second Year Electives (all first year students)
Time: 12pm to 12:30pm

Programme Choices:
Subject & Module in second year for Science students
Time: 3pm to 3:30pm

TUESDAY 7 APRIL
Programme Choices:
Subject & Module in second year for Arts students
Time: 11am to 11:30am

Transfer Options:
Information Session with the School of Business
Time: 12pm-1pm

Programme Choices:
Second Year Electives (all first year students)
Time: 2pm to 2:30pm

Programme Choices:
Subject & Module in second year for Science students
Time: 3pm to 3:30pm

WEDNESDAY 8 APRIL
Programme Choices:
Subject & Module in second year for Arts students
Time: 10am to 10:30am

Transfer Options:
Information Session with the School of Law
Time: 11am-12pm

Programme Choices:
Second Year Electives (all first year students)
Time: 12pm to 12:30pm

Programme Choices:
Subject & Module in second year for Science students
Time: 3pm to 3:30pm

THURSDAY 9 APRIL
Programme Choices:
Subject & Module in second year for Arts students
Time: 10am to 10:30am

Getting Ready for Success:
How to meet the criteria for social work course (all students welcome)
Time: 11am to 12pm

Future Ready:
Getting Started with the End in Mind
Time: 2:30pm to 3pm

For more information and Teams Links to each session:
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